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Serial No.: 10/623,914

Filed: July 21, 2003

For: **PROBES FOR  
CHONDROGENESIS**

) Examiner: McKelvey, Terry Alan (per PAIR)

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**TRANSMITTAL OF STATUS LETTER**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following:

1. Status Letter; and
2. A Return Receipt Postcard.

It is believed that no further fee is required relating to the filing of this Status Letter. If this is not the case, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any related fee to Deposit Account No. 03-0172. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**STATUS LETTER**

Dear Sirs:

Applicant has not received an office action for the above-identified patent application. In view of the extended period of time since the filing of the application, Applicant respectfully requests to be informed of the status of the Application.

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